

Texas Department of Public Safety Texas Division of Emergency Management

Texas State Operations Center



Situation Awareness Brief



Saturday, February 23rd 2019
As of 0900 CST

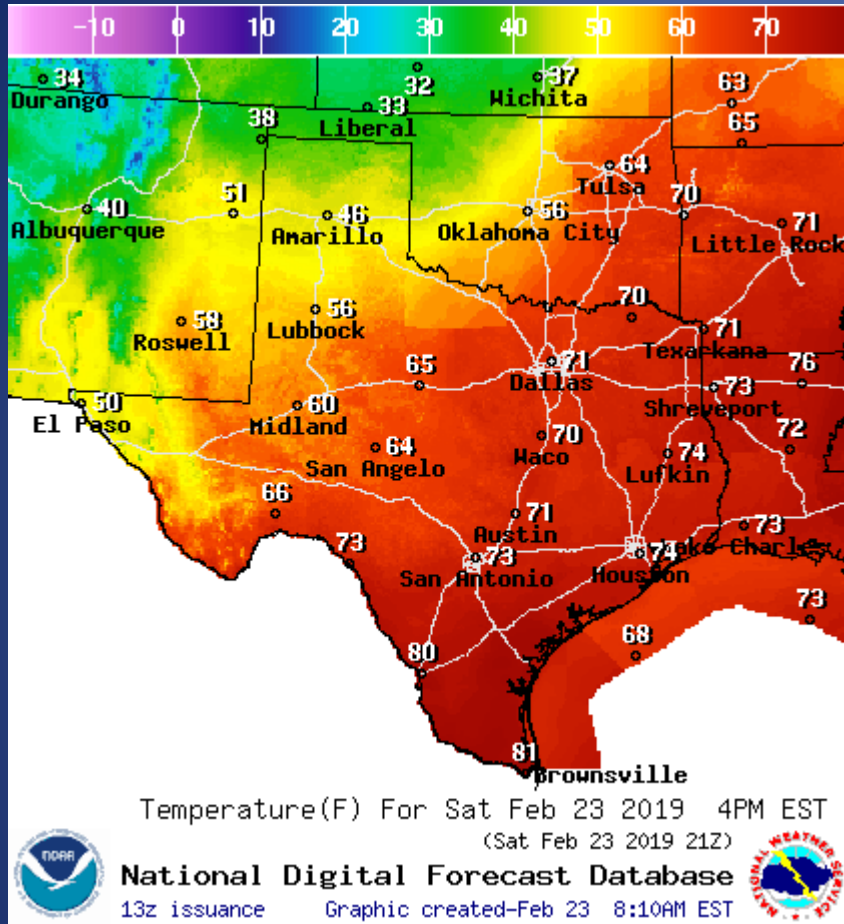
Incidents Reported to the State Operations Center (last 24 hours)

DATE	EVENT / INCIDENT	LOCATION (City/County)	Final Report: Y/N
02/23/19	Silver Alert Activation for Austin Police Department	Travis County	N
02/23/19	Silver Alert Discontinuation for Austin Police Department	Travis County	Y

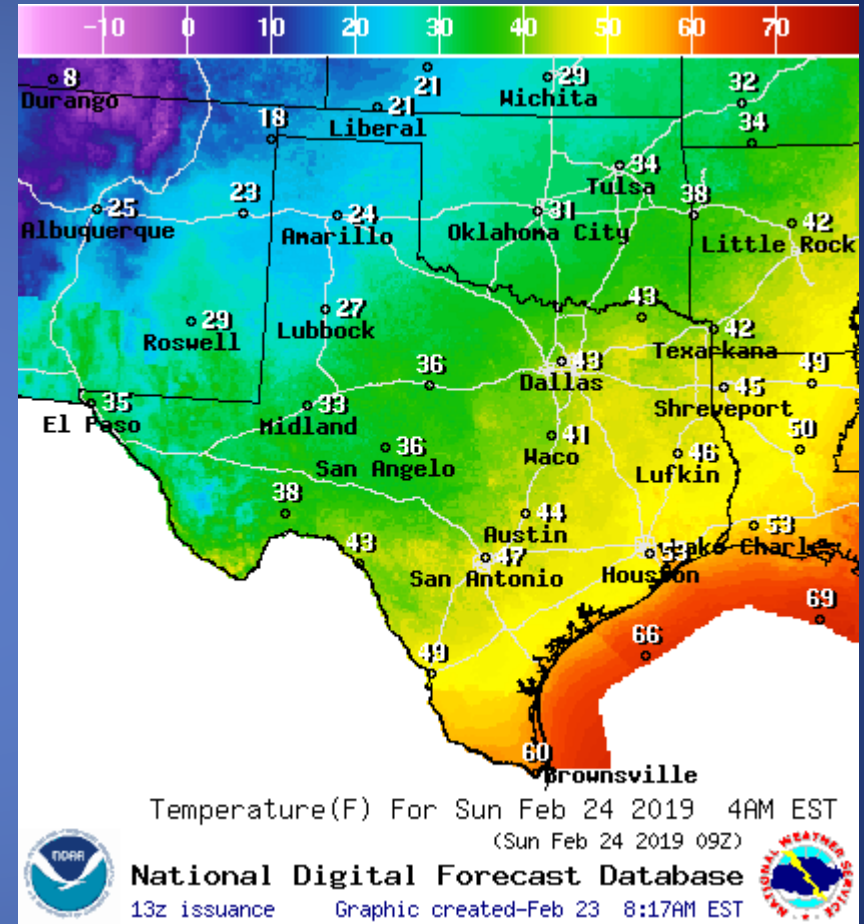
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DATE	SUBJECT
02/22/19	NWS Fort Worth - UPDATE: Storm Chances Today through Early Saturday
02/22/19	NWS Amarillo- Winter Storm Updated Briefing
02/22/19	NWS Lake Charles LA: Weather Update Briefing
02/22/19	NWS Midland Weather Briefing-High Winds and Critical Fire Weather Saturday
02/23/19	NWS El Paso, TX/Santa Teresa, NM: Public Information Statement - Peak Wind Gust
02/23/19	Daily NWS Threat Brief for Saturday, February 23, 2019 for FEMA Region 6

Weather Forecast

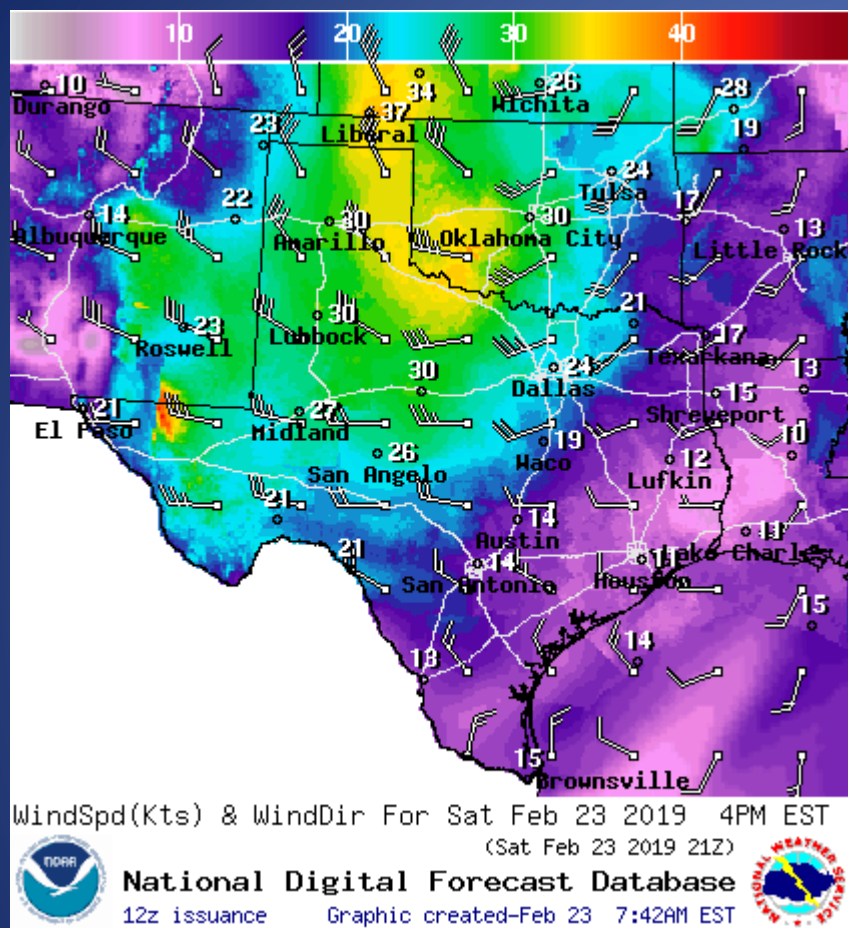


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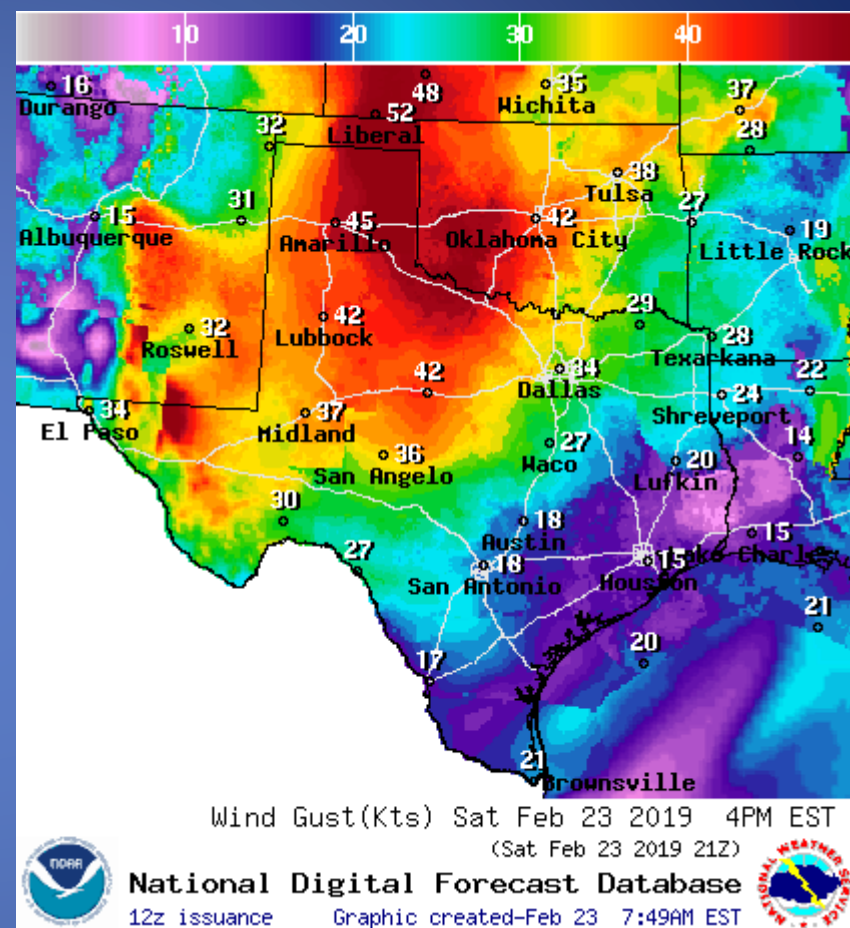


Lows

Weather Forecast



Wind Speeds



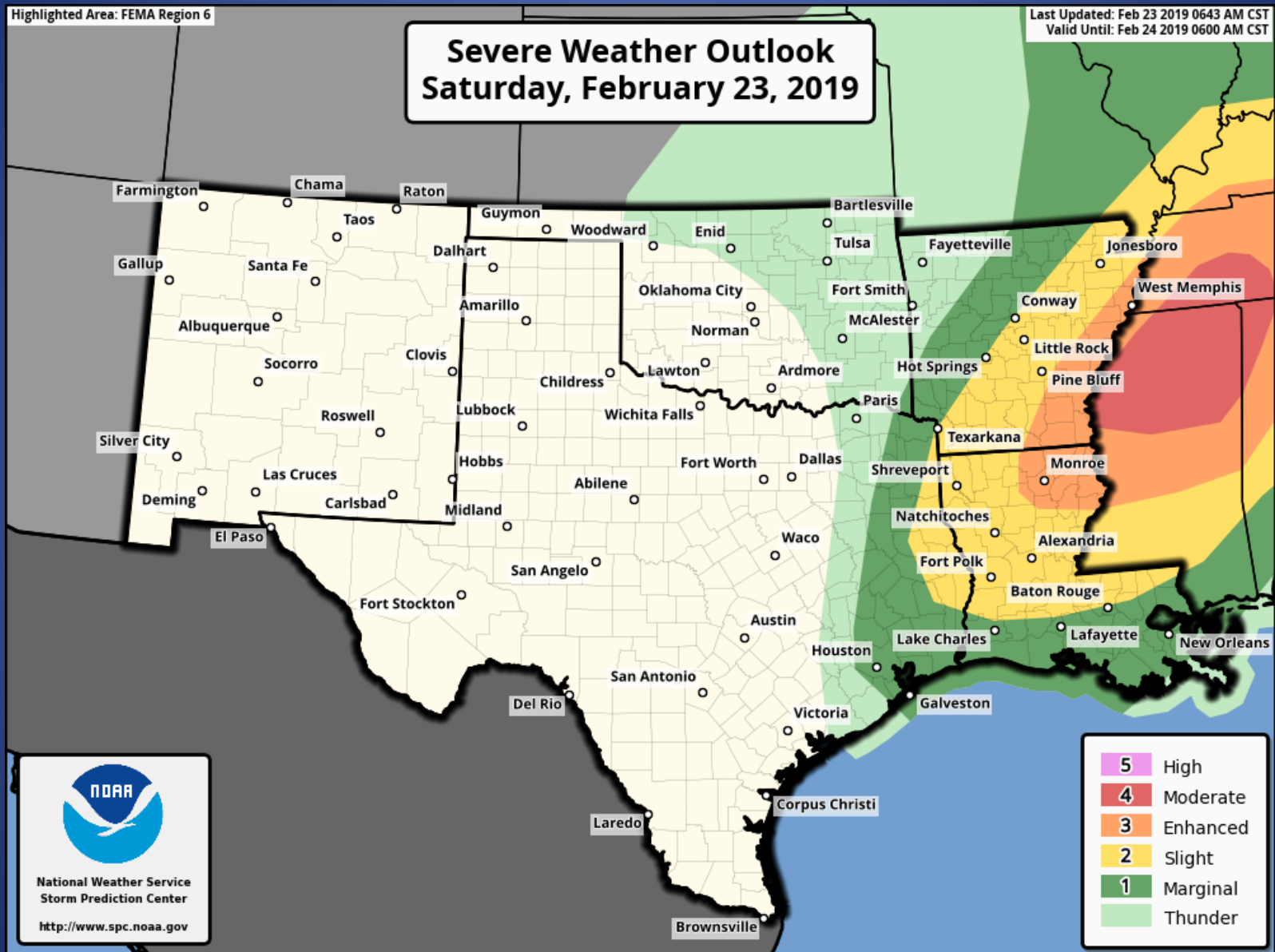
Gusts

Hazardous Weather

Highlighted Area: FEMA Region 6

Last Updated: Feb 23 2019 0643 AM CST
Valid Until: Feb 24 2019 0600 AM CST

Severe Weather Outlook Saturday, February 23, 2019



Hazardous Weather

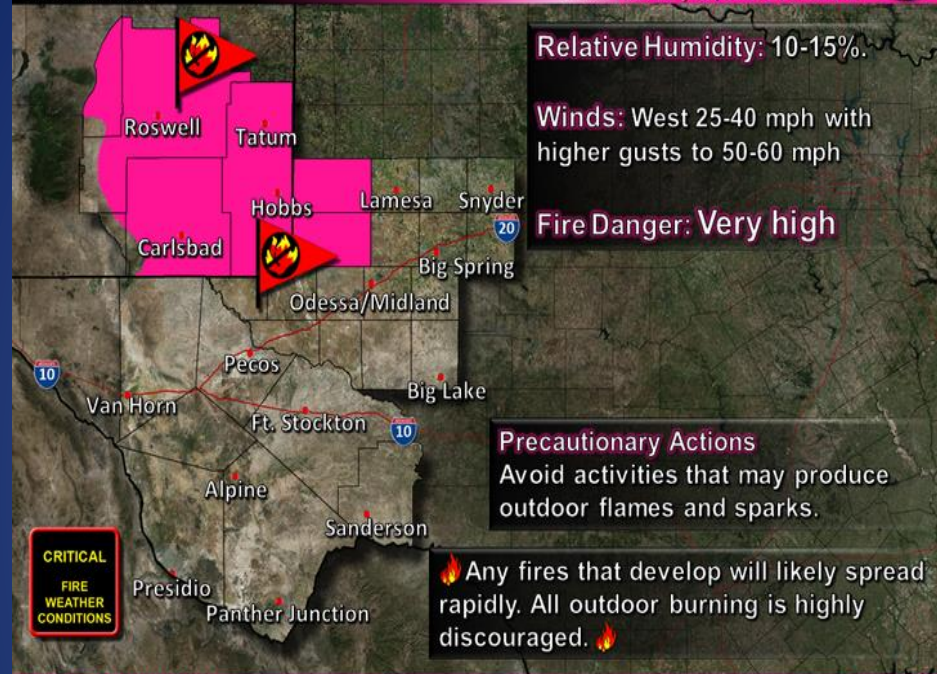
Red Flag Warning

Weather Forecast Office
Midland/Odessa, TX



Issued February 23, 2019 4:44 AM CT

This Afternoon



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Strong west winds combined with dry conditions will create very high fire danger tomorrow across northwest portions of the area where a Red Flag Warning is in effect.

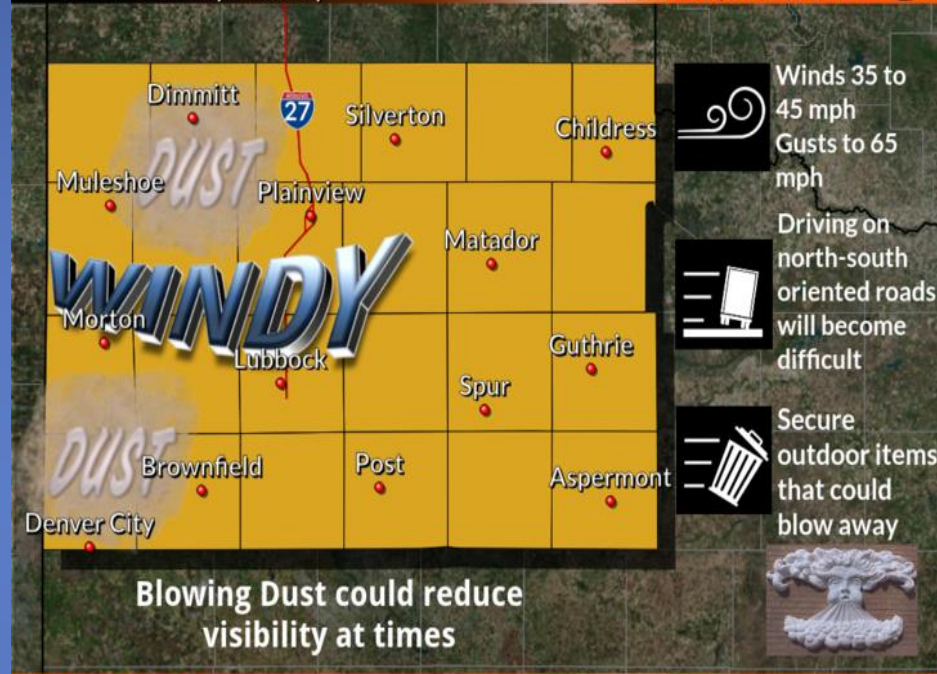
High Wind Warning

Weather Forecast Office
Lubbock, TX



Issued Feb 23, 2019 3:22 AM CST

In effect from 3 am to 6 pm Saturday



f t NWSLubbock

weather.gov/lub

A High Wind Warning is in effect today for all of the region. Dangerous westerly winds gusting as high as 65 mph are possible along with thick blowing dust. Lightweight outdoor objects, small dogs, and propane accessories should be brought indoors. Damage to trees, power lines, and road signs is possible.

Hazardous Weather

Highs Winds Saturday

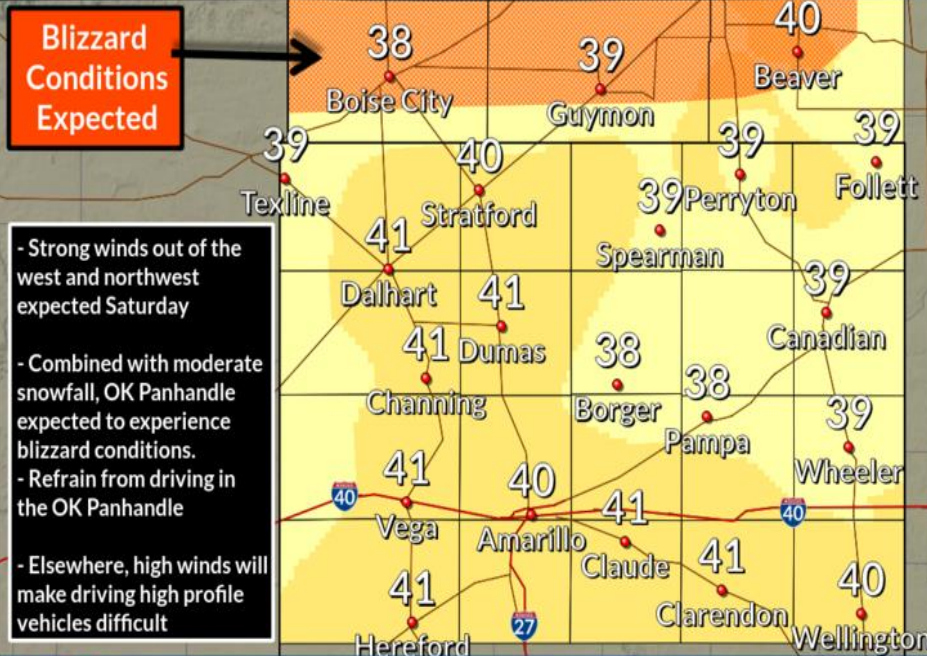
Weather Forecast Office

Amarillo, TX



Forecast Maximum Sustained Winds

Issued Feb 23, 2019 2:40 AM CST



f t y NWSAmarillo

weather.gov/ama

High winds will impact the entire combined Panhandles today, with sustained winds as high as 40 mph and gusts as high as 60 mph expected. These winds are expected to combine with moderate snowfall rates to generate blizzard conditions across the northern Oklahoma Panhandle. Elsewhere, these high winds will lead to hazardous travel for those driving high profile vehicles.

This Morning and Afternoon

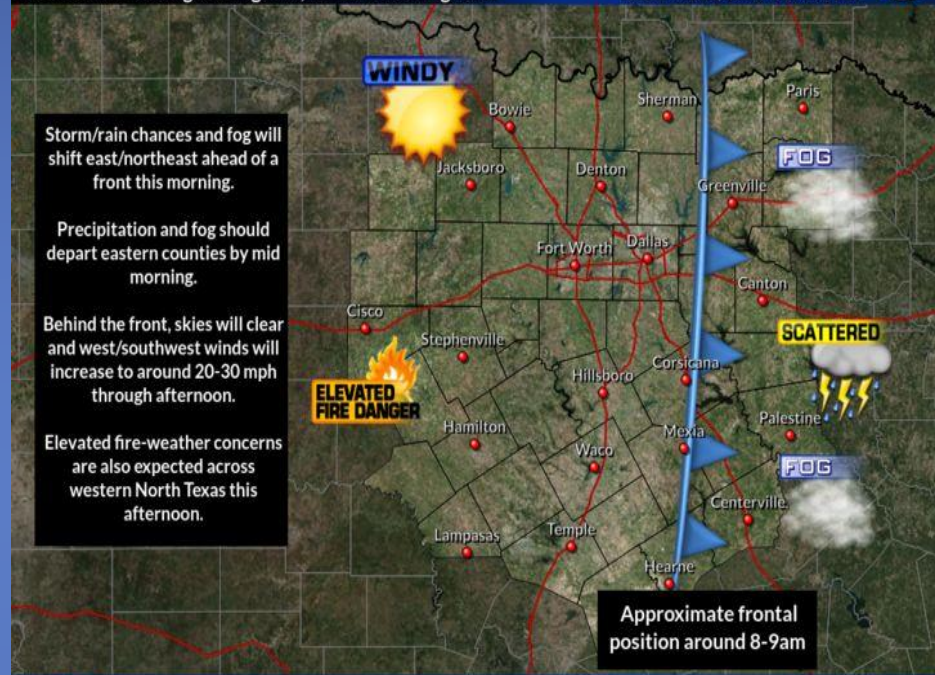
Weather Forecast Office

Fort Worth, TX



Rain chances and fog shifting east, winds increasing west

Issued Feb 23, 2019 4:09 AM CST



f t y NWSFort Worth

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Fog and thunderstorm chances will lift northeast ahead of a cold front this morning, likely clearing eastern counties by mid morning. Behind the front, skies will clear and west/southwest winds will strengthen to around 20-30 mph (with higher gusts), yielding elevated fire-weather concerns across western North Texas this afternoon.

Hazardous Weather

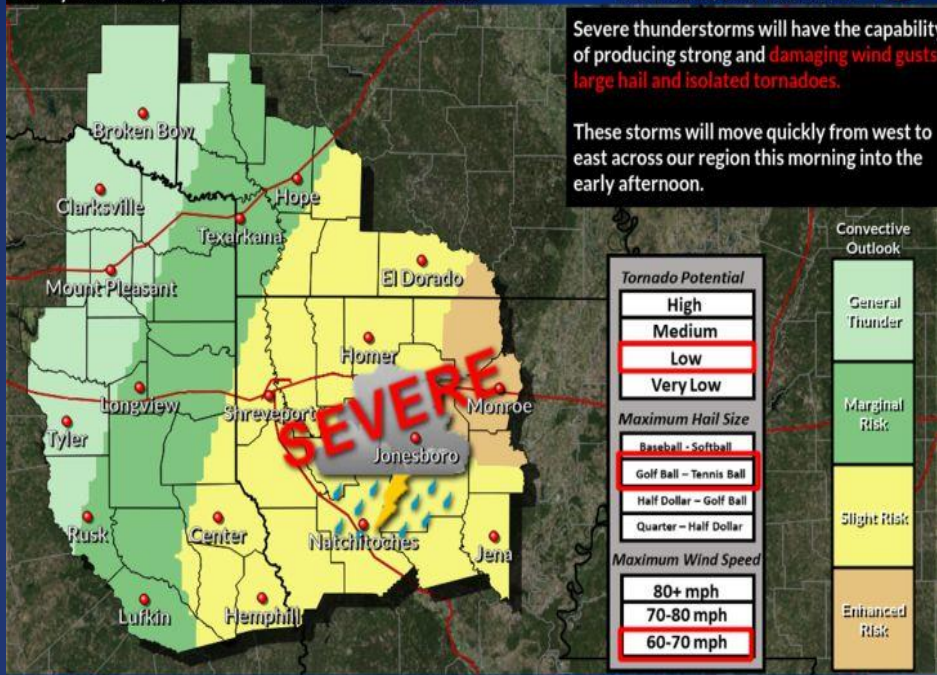
Severe Thunderstorms are possible Today

Mainly East Texas, North Louisiana and South Arkansas

Weather Forecast Office

Shreveport, LA

Issued Feb 23, 2019 4:43 AM CST



f t y NWSShreveport

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Strong to Severe Thunderstorms are expected across the Four State Region Today. The greatest threat will be across Deep East Texas, Northern Louisiana and South Central Arkansas. **Damaging thunderstorm wind gusts, large hail and isolated tornadoes** will be possible.

Saturday Highs and rainfall chances.

Showers and thunderstorms possible with a passing squall line.

Weather Forecast Office

Lake Charles, LA

Issued Feb 23, 2019 5:18 AM CST



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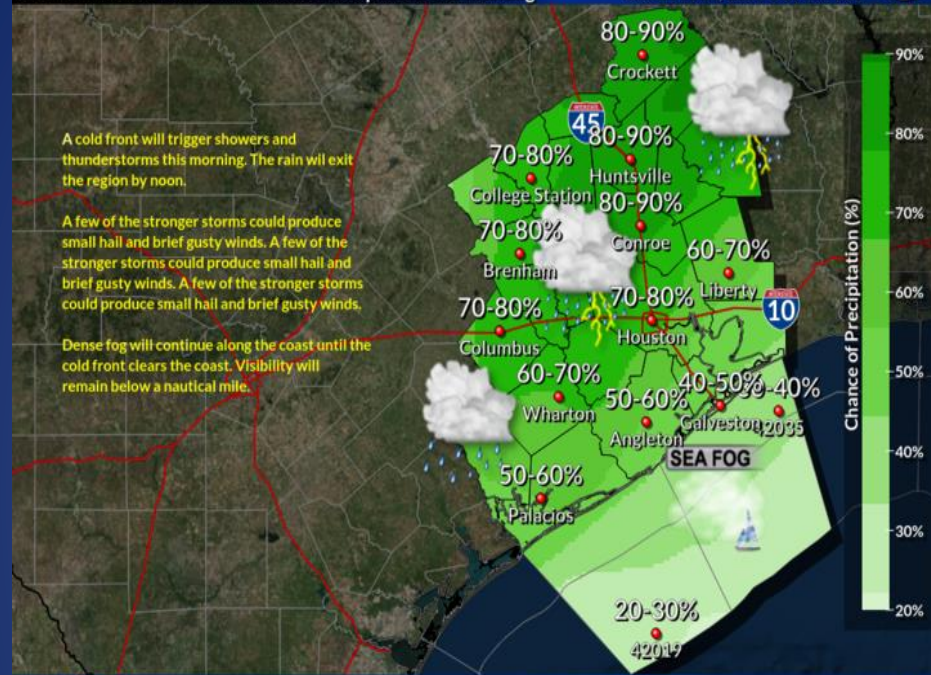
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Saturday: A passing cold front will produce a squall line with showers and thunderstorms. Some storms may be severe. High temperatures will be early in the day before the front passes. South winds around 10 mph ahead of the front will shift to the west after the front passes.

Hazardous Weather

Morning Storms

Weather Forecast Office
Houston/Galveston TX
Issued Feb 23, 2019 5:39 AM CST



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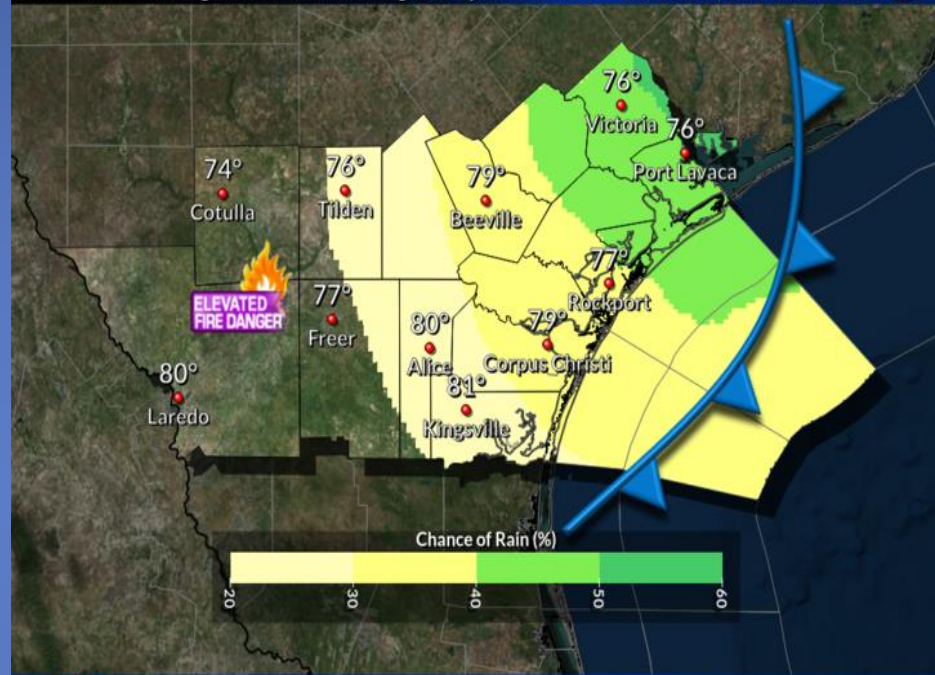
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A cold front will cross the area this morning. The front will bring scattered showers and thunderstorms to the area. A few of the stronger storms could produce brief gusty winds and hail.

Cold Front Today

Scattered Showers Along a Cold Front this morning. Drier by the Afternoon

Weather Forecast Office
Corpus Christi, TX
Issued Feb 23, 2019 4:06 AM CST



f t y NWSCorpus

weather.gov/crp

A cold front will push through South Texas this morning. The front will be moving offshore by mid-morning. Patchy dense fog that developed overnight will clear out as the front swings through. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms will be possible along and ahead of the boundary. Despite the front, temps will warm into the mid 70s to around 80 degrees as skies clear this afternoon.

Hazardous Weather

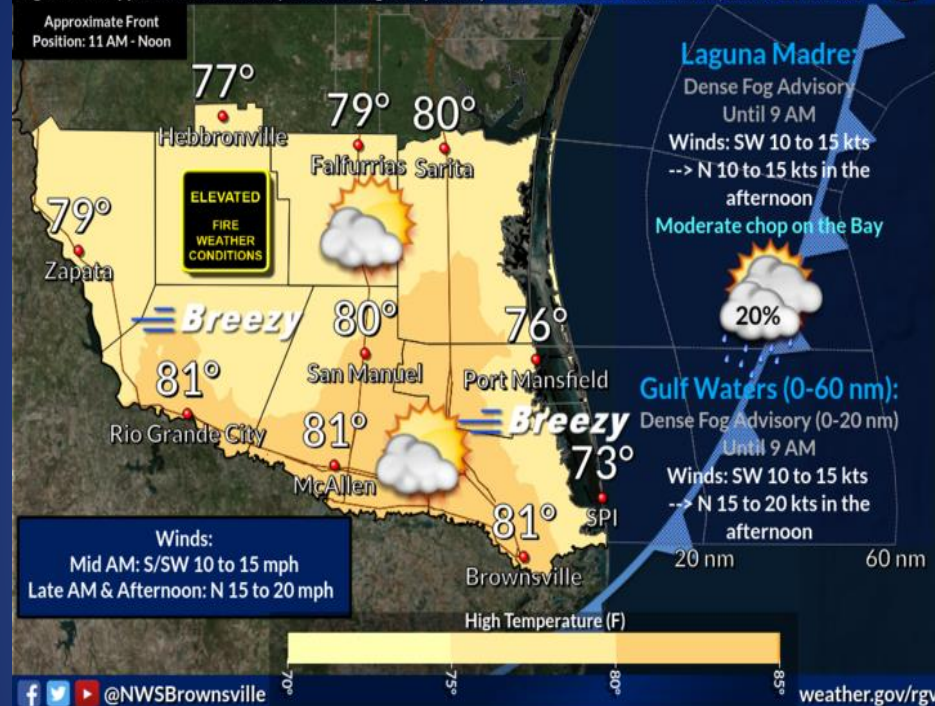
Today | Warm & Breezy

Weather Forecast Office
Brownsville/RGV, TX



Highs in the Upper 70s & Lower 80s | Skies Turning Partly Cloudy in the Afternoon
Issued Feb 23, 2019 6:21 AM CST

Approximate Front
Position: 11 AM - Noon



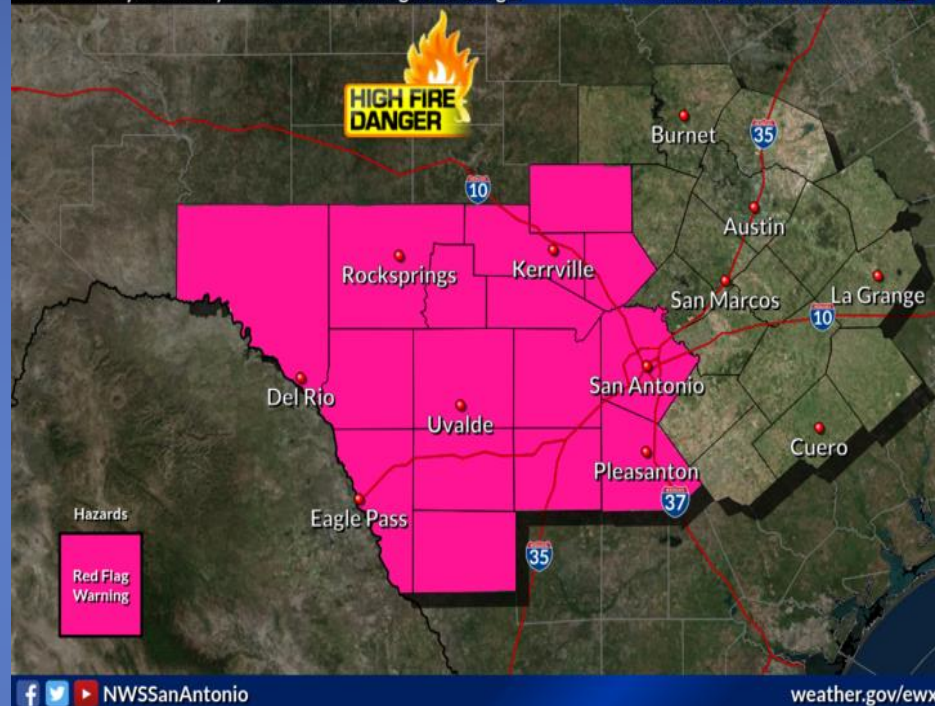
A weak cold front will arrive later this morning, bringing in drier air and breezy north winds. Afternoon temperatures are still expected to be warm across Deep South Texas, reaching the upper 70s to lower 80s in most locations. Patchy fog and clouds should break apart west to east through the morning, becoming partly cloudy to mostly sunny by the afternoon. Mariners can expect dense fog through at least mid morning before lifting. Breezy southerly winds will turn northerly behind the cold front today. Operators of small craft should exercise caution on the Gulf waters this afternoon.

Red Flag Warning 11 AM through 6 PM

Weather Forecast Office
Austin/San Antonio, TX



Low Humidity and Gusty winds will lead to High Fire Danger



Red Flag Warning from 11 am to 6 pm today. The combination of low humidity values and gusty winds behind the cold front to will produce high fire danger across a large area of South Central Texas.

Hazardous Weather

Dangerous Fire Weather Conditions

Weather Forecast Office
San Angelo, TX

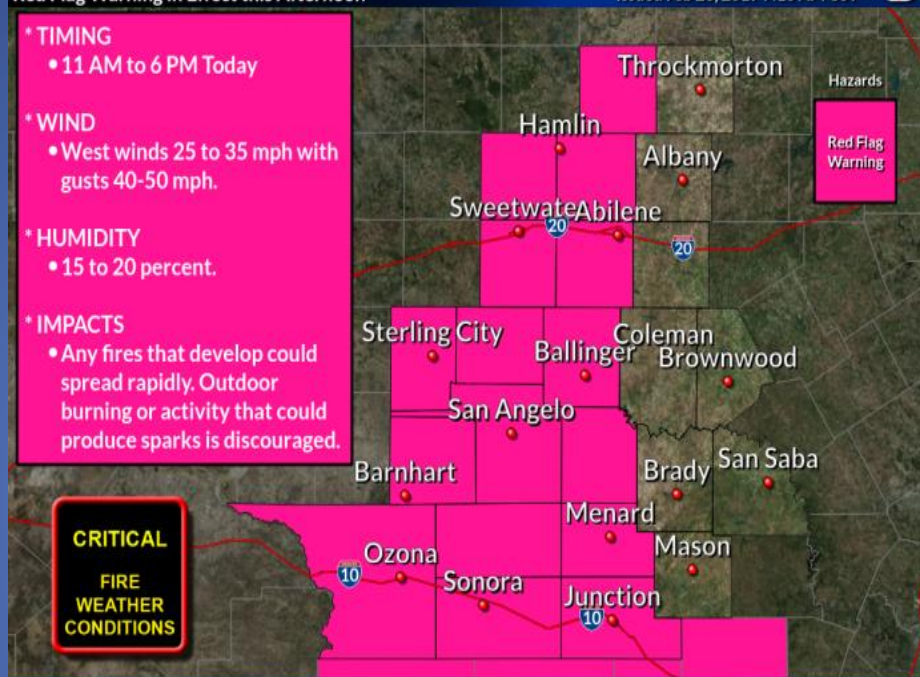


Red Flag Warning in Effect this Afternoon

Issued Feb 23, 2019 7:13 AM CST

- * **TIMING**
 - 11 AM to 6 PM Today
- * **WIND**
 - West winds 25 to 35 mph with gusts 40-50 mph.
- * **HUMIDITY**
 - 15 to 20 percent.
- * **IMPACTS**
 - Any fires that develop could spread rapidly. Outdoor burning or activity that could produce sparks is discouraged.

CRITICAL
FIRE
WEATHER
CONDITIONS



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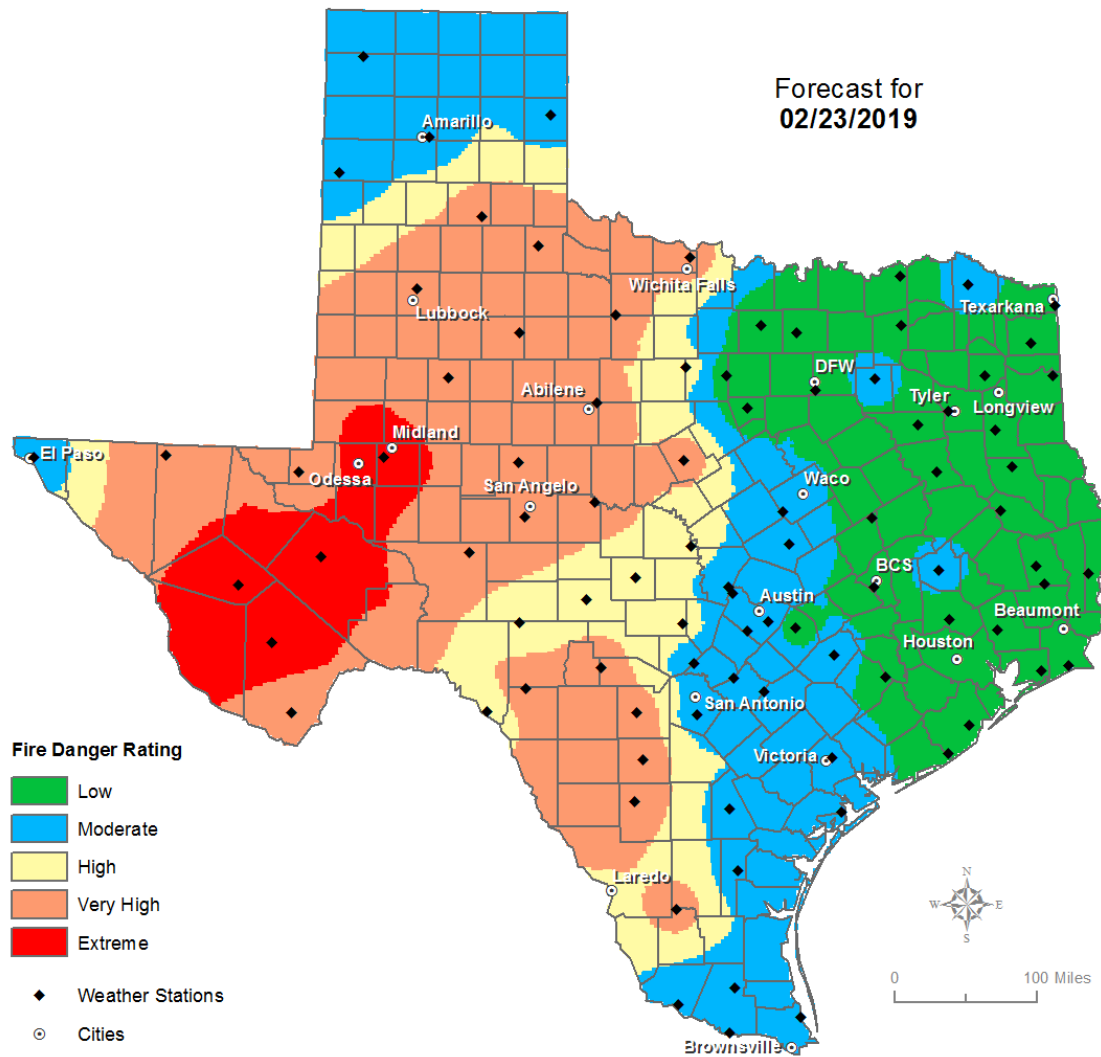
Strong winds combined with very dry conditions today will lead to dangerous Fire Weather Conditions. Any fires that develop could spread rapidly.

Weather Warning/Advisories Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
02/22/19	High Wind Warning	Archer, Armstrong, Bailey, Baylor, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Clay, Cochran, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crosby, Culberson, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, El Paso, Floyd, Foard, Gaines, Garza, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hardeman, Hartley, Hemphill, Hockley, Hudspeth, Hutchinson, Jeff Davis, Kent, King, Knox, Lamb, Lipscomb, Lubbock, Lynn, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Reeves, Roberts, Sherman, Stonewall, Swisher, Terry, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger, and Yoakum Counties
02/22/19	Flood Warning	Attoyac Bayou affecting Nacogdoches, Rusk, San Augustine, and Shelby Counties; Ayish Bayou affecting Sabine and San Augustine Counties; Neches River affecting Anderson, Cherokee, and Houston Counties; White Oak Creek affecting Franklin, Morris, and Titus Counties
02/23/19	High Wind Warning	Bailey, Briscoe, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Cottle, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hall, Hockley, Kent, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Parmer, Stonewall, Swisher, Terry and Yoakum Counties

Fire Danger Forecast

Forecast Fire Danger



Burn Bans and KBDI INDEX

OUTDOOR BURN BANS

February 22, 2019



Email updates to:
burnban@tfs.tamu.edu

Counties with Burn Bans: 56

Armstrong
Bailey
Baylor*
Brewster
Briscoe
Brooks
Callahan
Castro
Childress
Cochran
Coke
Crane
Crosby
Culberson
Deaf Smith
Dimmit
Donley
Eastland
El Paso
Frio*
Garza
Glasscock
Hall
Hemphill
Jeff Davis
Jim Hogg
Kinney*
Kleberg
La Salle
Lipscomb
Martin
Maverick
Menard
Mills
Oldham
Parmer
Potter
Randall
Reagan
Refugio
San Patricio
Shackelford
Sherman
Starr
Sutton
Terrell
Throckmorton
Upton
Ward
Wheeler

* - Burn Ban in effect during a Red Flag Warning day
* - Burn Ban in effect check with County for specifics

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County Burn Ban Orders are established by County Judges and/or County Commissioners Courts. The Texas A&M Forest Service is not responsible for establishing or removing burning bans. The Texas A&M Forest Service is only displaying this information as a public service.

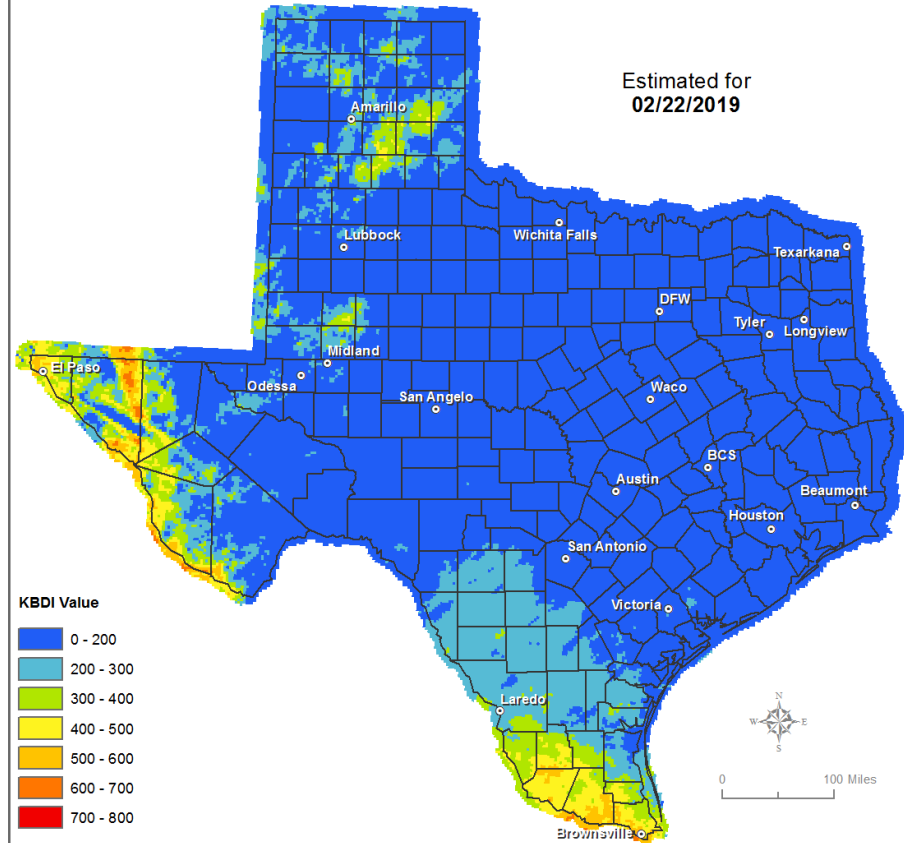
For More Information Please Contact Your
Local County Judge's Office or County Website

RED FLAG WARNINGS: www.weather.gov
Burn Ban RSS feed available at <http://tfsfrp.tamu.edu/wildfires/BurnBan.xml>

Keetch-Byram Drought Index

(4 km x 4 km resolution)

Estimated for
02/22/2019



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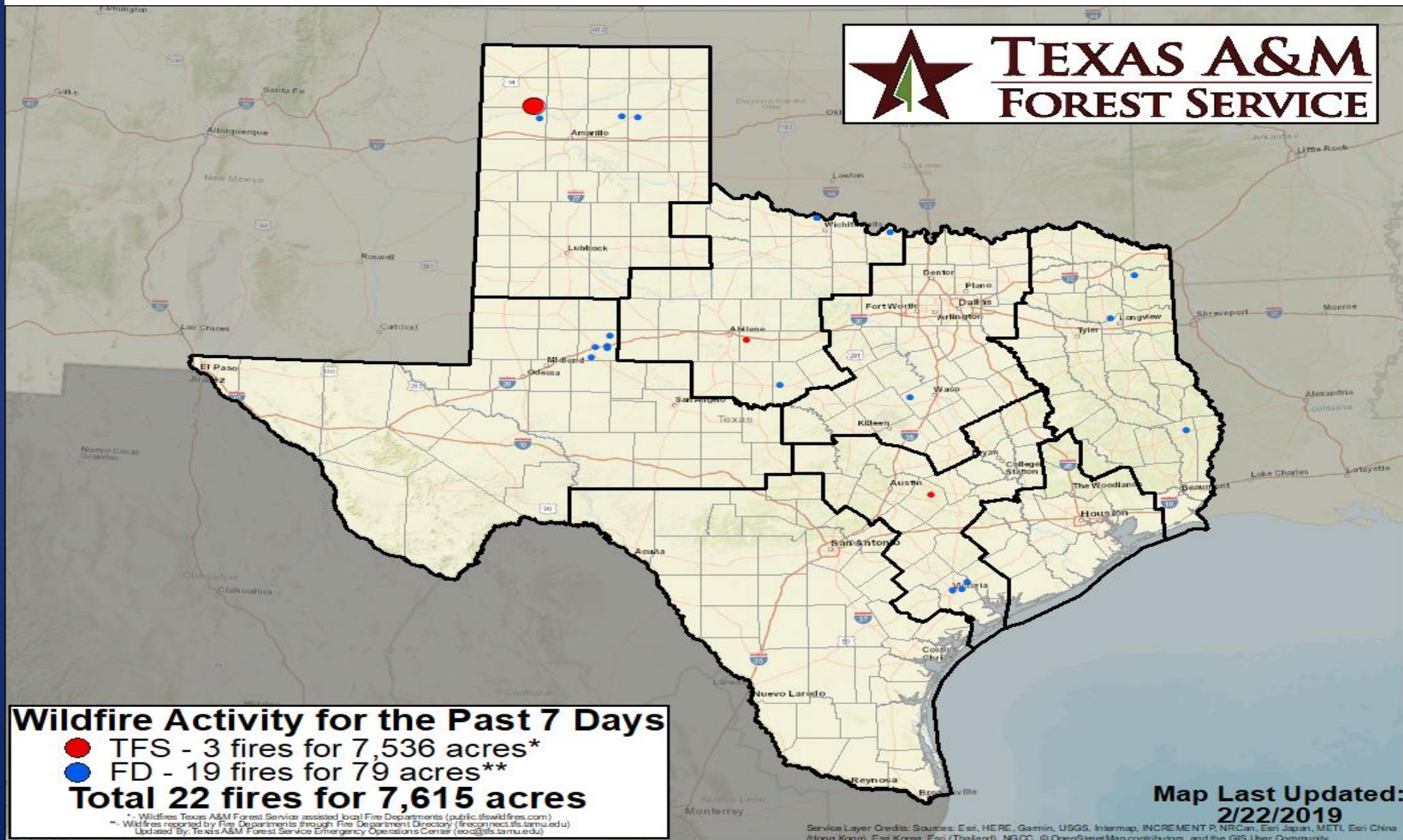
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Fire Weather Warnings/Watches/Statements

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
02/22/19	Red Flag Warning	Andrews and Gaines Counties
02/23/19	Fire Danger Statement	Archer, Bailey, Baylor, Briscoe, Brooks, Cameron, Castro, Childress, Clay, Cochran, Cottle, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Foard, Garza, Hale, Hall, Hardeman, Hidalgo, Hockley, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, Kent, King, Knox, Lamb, La Salle, Live Oak, Lubbock, Lynn, McMullen, Motley, Parmer, Starr, Stonewall, Swisher, Terry, Webb, Wichita, Wilbarger Willacy and Zapata Counties
02/23/19	Red Flag Warning	Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Coke, Concho, Crockett, Dimmit, Edwards, Fisher, Frio, Gillespie, Haskell, Irion, Jones, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Maverick, Menard, Medina, Nolan, Real, Runnels, Schleicher, Sutton, Taylor, Tom Green, Uvalde, Val Verde, Yoakum, Zavala County
02/23/19	Grass Fire Danger Statement	Bosque, Comanche, Coryell, Eastland, Erath, Hamilton, Hood, Jack, Lampasas, Mills, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Somervell, Stephens, Wise and Young Counties

Fire Activity (*Last 24 Hours)

Reports 19 (no change) fires and 10,330 (no change) acres destroyed this year. There are 56 (no change) counties with burn bans. The Keetch–Byram Drought Index list 4 (no change) counties with an average over 400.



Training

DATES		TITLE	COURSE	LOCATION
02/22/19	02/24/19	Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Course	G-317	New Braunfels
02/22/19	02/24/19	Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Course	G-317	Cedar Park
02/23/19	02/23/19	Pipeline Security in Rural Communities	AWR-302	Jasper
02/23/19	02/23/19	Texas Public Officials Workshop	G-200	Rio Bravo
02/23/19	02/24/19	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	G-300	Shiro

Statewide Significant Events

DATE(S)		LOCATION	EVENT
01/08/19	05/27/19	Austin	86 th Texas Legislature
02/07/19	02/24/19	San Antonio	San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo
02/14/19	02/25/19	Laredo	Washington's Birthday Celebration Association
02/22/19	02/24/19	Fort Worth	The Cowtown Marathon
02/22/19	03/05/19	Galveston	City of Galveston 108 Annual Mardi Gras
02/22/19	02/24/19	Laredo	WBCA Jalapeño Festival